This Valentine's Day, surprise your sweetheart with the ultimate romantic evening at the Sweetheart's Dinner Dance!

As that special day for lover's roles around, many are in a quandary as to how to honor their beloved in the best way. This is a night for fun, passion, and romance, and it can be all those things, and do some good for the Aruban community.

Now for the fifth year, a group of devoted island visitors that began a foundation twenty years ago called the "Friends of the Handicapped" will conduct their annual Sweetheart's Dinner Dance in the Radisson Ballroom on Tuesday evening. Not only is it a wonderful time for all, guaranteed, but all proceeds from the dance are awarded to worthy Arubian foundations which assist the island's mentally and physically challenged.

The dance begins at 7:00 pm with an open bar cocktail hour that includes an elegant hors d'oevre selection. The festivities will continue with an gourmet sit-down dinner including wine, and dancing to the great sounds of Crystal Breeze, one of the top bands on the island.

There are additional fundraising efforts, and attendees can win a \$2000 grand prize from the raffle, or one of dozens of other desirable prizes including over \$10,000 in fine jewelry, dinners for two in some of Aruba's finest restaurants, and various excursions. All of these prizes have been donated by local vendors, as both visitors and islander mix and mingle and make an effort to assist the island's worthy causes. Last year, the Friends of the Handicapped made the landmark total of over one million dollars donated to assisting those that need it, and this year they continue that admirable tradition. The cost of the Sweetheart's Dinner Dance is only \$90, or 150 Arubian florins, and is tax deductible. Reservations can be made and tickets purchased in the lobby of the Casa Del Mar Resort or by contacting Steve or Diane Wild at telephone # 964-0038 or 965-6686.

Each lady will receive a rose and a special Valentine's gift, and it give them a chance to dress up a bit and feel like a princess! So why not be a prince and treat your special ladylove to a delightful evening of dinner and dancing at the Friend's of the Handicapped Sweetheart's Dinner Dance.